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SUBJ: "PEOPLE'S DAILY" OPENS ANTI-LIN CAMPAIGN

1. AUGUST 31 "PEOPLE'S DAILY" CONTAINING POLITBURO AND STANDING COMMITTEE NAMELISTS DID NOT APPEAR ON NEWSTANDS OR POST OFFICE UNTIL MID-AFTERNOON, SOME SIX HOURS PAST NORMAL TIME. PAGE TWO DEVOTED TO "POPULAR" REACTIONS TO ANNOUNCEMENT OF TENTH PARTY CONGRESS, WITH HEAVY EMPHASIS ON UNITY THEME. CRITICISM OF LIN PIAO CLEARLY WILL BE THE MAIN ORDER OF BUSINESS FOR SOME TIME TO COME, AND "PEOPLE'S DAILY" OPENED CAMPAIGN WITH ARTICLE ON SHANGHAI STEEL MILL WORKERS' DENUNCIATION OF HIM. THE ARTICLE, ENTITLED "CONTINUE TO PLACE THE ANTI-LIN RECTIFICATION IN THE FOREFRONT", IS CLEARLY INTENDED TO SET THE TONE FOR WHAT IS SHAPING UP TO BE THE MOST BITTER DENUNCIATION CAMPAIGN OF THEM ALL.

2. COMMENT. WE DO NOT KNOW THE REASON FOR THE DELAY IN ISSUING TODAY'S DAILY", AND IT IS POSSIBLE THAT THERE MAY BE PURELY TECHNICAL CAUSES. SUCH DELAYS, HOWEVER, ARE FREQUENTLY RELATED TO EDITORIAL UNCERTAINTY ABOUT CONTENT OR FORMAT, AND WE SUSPECT THAT IS THE CASE TODAY.

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